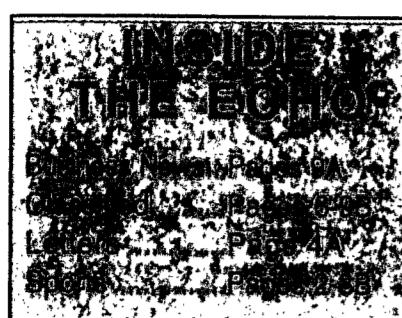


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Meeting rescheduled

The workshop meeting of the Waveland Board of Aldermen has been rescheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 15 at 6 p.m.

The regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 16, at 6:30 p.m.

Installation of officers

Hancock County Historical Society will hold its installation of the 1999 officers today at 11 a.m., at the Kate Lobrano House, 108 Cue Street, Bay St. Louis.

The returning officers are Roland Schexnayder and Ames Kergosien, co-first vice presidents; Marlene Johnson, membership; Kathy Benvenuti, secretary; and Edith Black, publicity.

Following the ceremony, will be the annual Christmas tea.

Waveland parade set

The annual Waveland Civic Association's Christmas Parade and Festival of Lights is set for Sunday, Dec. 13, beginning at 5 p.m., with the Festival of Lights at 6 p.m., on Coleman Ave.

The evening's events will conclude with a bonfire on the beach.

Chamber banquet set

The Hancock County Chamber of Commerce will host its annual Christmas banquet Friday, Dec. 11, at Our Lady of the Gulf Community Center in Bay St. Louis.

Rep. Gene Taylor is keynote speaker. Citizen of the Year and other awards will be announced.

TIDES	
WEEK OF 12-10-98	
DAY	NIGHT
Fri.	LOW
Mon.	3:00 a.
Fri.	2:16 p.
Mon.	2:27 a.
Fri.	1:51 p.
Sat.	10:28 p.
Sun.	9:21 p.
Mon.	12:33 p.
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istrict Assistant Superintendent Kim Stasny said no one was injured and the situation was diffused shortly after officers arrived on campus.

Stasny said a ninth grade student became agitated and threatened a classmate shortly after class had begun. "As the teacher tried to calm the student, he left the classroom to get

ARRESTS—PAGE 5A

Robbery suspect takes officers on wild chase

BY ED LEPOMA

A robbery suspect led Bay St. Louis and Waveland police on a wild chase Monday night before giving up without incident in Shoreline Park.

The series of events began first in Bay St. Louis when dispatchers received a call about 7:30 p.m. A clerk at the Domino's Pizza delivery outlet reported that he had just been robbed at gunpoint by a white male. The owner told police the suspect entered the store, implying he had a weapon, but he did not brandish him with a gun.

After gathering the cash,

the clerk reported the robber fled in a gold "Explorer-type vehicle," and the clerk managed to get a partial license tag number.

Waveland Police Chief James Varnell said dispatchers received a call at approximately 8:20 p.m., Monday night from the owner of Coleman Avenue grocery, who said he had just been robbed by a white male. The owner told police the suspect entered the store, implying he had a weapon, but he did not brandish it.

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Ready to dredge

A dredging rig is poised at the foot of the Washington Street Pier, ready to begin improvements planned there. Jesco Construction Corp. of Gulfport is in charge of the \$142,000 project, which includes relocating one jetty, installing another, and improving the boat launch. The fishing area and boat launch are closed during construction. (Echo staff photo by B.R. Hawkins)

Possible litigation considered

BY MARY G. SEILEY

City officials waded through murky waters this week, dealing with disputes over drainage and an endangered bike path project.

City Council wrapped up their business Tuesday night behind closed doors, where they met in executive session at the suggestion of legal counsel.

While the exact topic of discussion during that meeting was not disclosed, there were strong indications earlier that the talk concerned controversy over the city's enormous drainage projects in progress and the proposed bikeway system.

The two seemingly unrelated matters are tied closely together because both require the city to obtain the right to use properties owned by CSX. The rail company is continuing a years-long insistence that the city close off some track crossings before granting the needed rights-of-way.

While the controversy has lingered unresolved, the bike path project has bogged down beyond an Oct. 31 deadline for the beginning of construction. A third of the drainage project has gone almost to the point of completion despite the dispute.

LITIGATION—PAGE 8A

County marina taking shape

BY ED LEPOMA

Slowly, but surely, Hancock County's marina is taking shape at the foot of Pleasure Street off Lakeshore Road.

At their regular monthly meeting Monday, supervisors were briefed on the status of the \$1.1 million project under construction at Bayou Caddy. Malouf Construction Corp. of Madison is in charge of first-phase construction.

Engineer Jeff Clemens with consulting Compton Engineering told supervisors, "The marina is 75 to 85 percent complete." He said supervisors could plan a ribbon cutting within a month to officially open the marina.

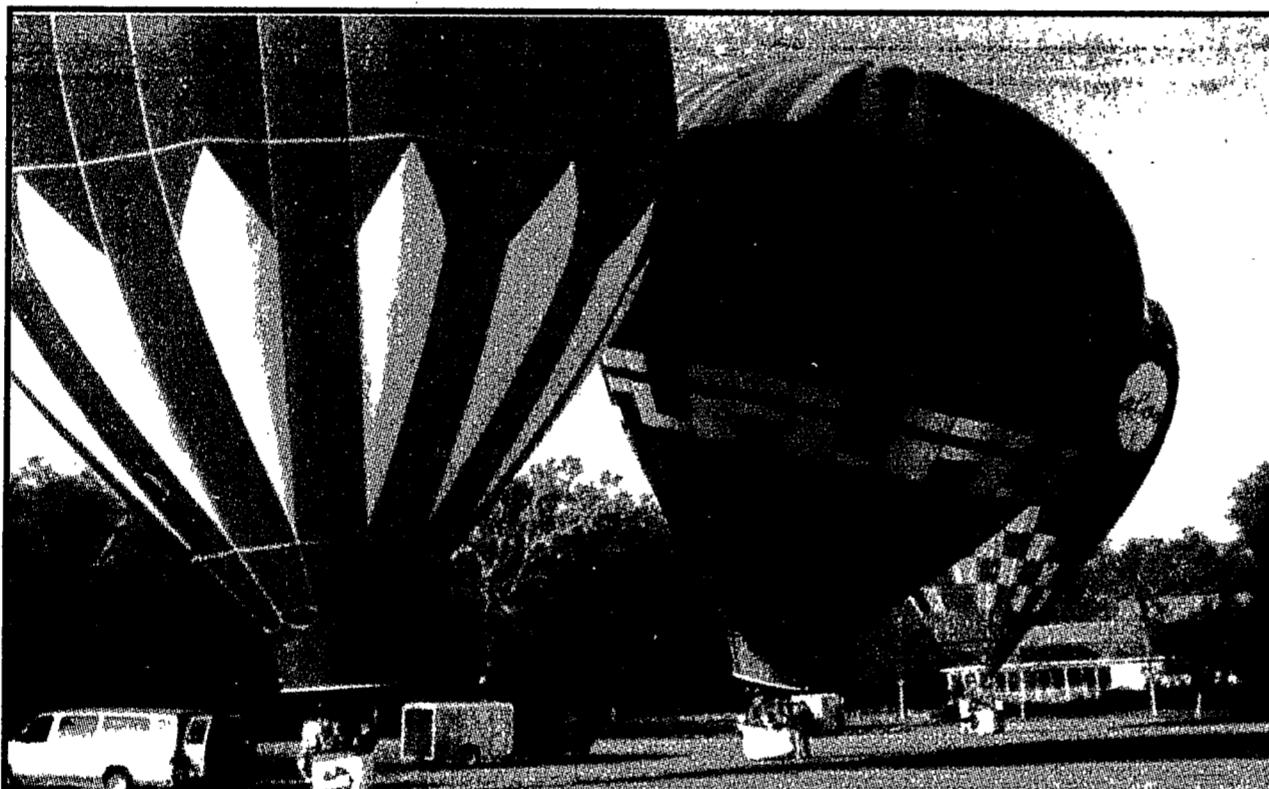
Clemens said the sloped boat launch is in place, and the piers

on the east and west side are finished, with lighting, water and sewerage connected to the site.

The Echo on Tuesday toured the 6.8-acre site with Oliver Sahuque, who has been hired as county harbormaster, and checks on the project's status daily.

Sahuque pointed to a dredge sitting in water at the west end of the marina, and said dredging was expected to begin later this week. The street entering the marina is still a muddy mess because of the heavy trucks going in and out of the site. The limestone has been laid in the parking area, but the entrance road is still not paved because heavy rip rap must still be hauled to the site.

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A colorful welcome

Area balloonists tethered on the lawn at St. Stanislaus as a welcome to the 8th annual Academic Competition for Excellence held this past weekend. Students from over 50 schools participated in competitive testing in four areas. See results and photographs of winners on page 1B. (Echo staff photo by B.R. Hawkins)

Officers offering help discover 72-lbs. of pot

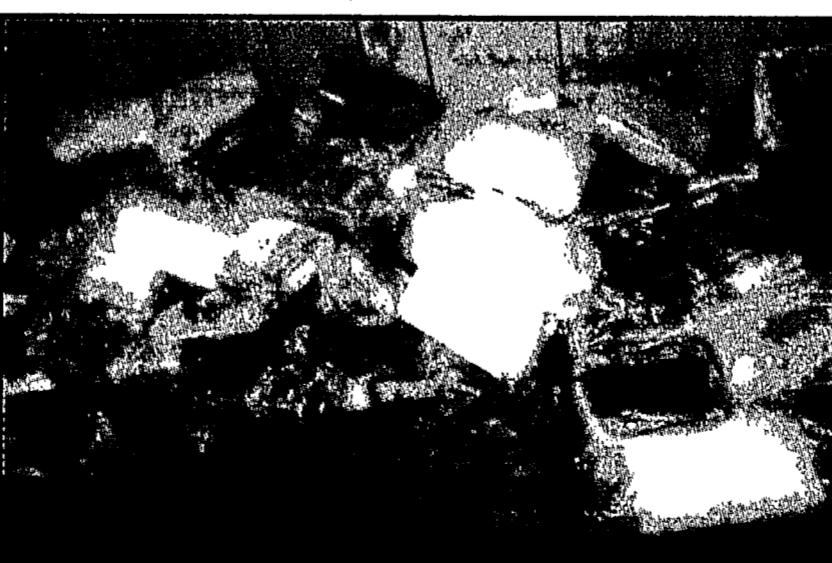
BY ED LEPOMA

Agents with Hancock County's Narcotics Task Force got quite a surprise early last Sunday morning when they came to the aid of a chartered bus disabled alongside Interstate 10.

Task Force Executive Director Shane Corr said Lt. Tim Broder and Deputy Abe Long were patrolling the interstate eastbound about 2:30 a.m. Sunday when they noticed a chartered Adama bus stopped in the emergency lane with its lights flashing near the 12-mile marker.

"They stopped to render assistance," said Corr, "And, in the process, they asked the bus driver if they could check the cargo hold of the bus."

Upon opening the baggage



Seized dope

A chartered bus stopped on Interstate 10 by agents with Hancock County's Narcotics Task Force last Sunday yielded 72 pounds of marijuana. No one on the bus was arrested, but the case remains under investigation. (Echo staff photo by Ed Lepoma)

ADA complaint filed against Waveland

BY BETSY GAGNET

A complaint has been filed against the City of Waveland with the United States Justice Department alleging violations of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

A letter notifying the city of the complaint, received by the city on Nov. 13, states that on five separate occasions the city held planning workshops in a meeting room which was inaccessible to people with mobility impairments.

The workshop meetings are regularly held twice a month in the mayor's office located on the second floor of City Hall which is not equipped with an elevator. No official action is taken during the workshops, but they are public meetings in which city issues and citizens' complaints are often addressed.

The notification requested information on the accessible features of City Hall and the services and programs provided there. Also requested was information regarding steps taken by the city to make activities within City Hall accessible to people with disabilities and a copy of the city's self-evaluation required by all entities covered under Title II of the ADA.

A request was made for a copy of the city's grievance procedures for complaints alleging discrimination on the basis of disability.

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OBITUARIES

HENRY E. BALSTAR
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JAMES C. SEAL, SR.
DAVID WAINWRIGHT

HENRY E. BALSTAR

Henry E. Baltar, 76, of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, Dec. 4, 1998, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Baltar was a native of Greenville and a lifelong resident of the Mississippi Gulf Coast. He was a retired real estate-mortgage broker and was a veteran of the U.S. Army Air Corps serving in the Pacific Theater. He was a graduate of Soule College in New Orleans.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William Winslow and Katherine Eikel Baltar; and a daughter, Elsa Maud Baltar.

Survivors include a son, Henry F. Hank Baltar, Jr., of Neptune Beach, Fla.; and a daughter, Barbara A. Baltar of Hernando, Miss.

A memorial service was conducted Monday at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

The family prefers memorials to the Hancock County Library Foundation in Bay St. Louis.

FRED P. CARRON

Fred P. Carron, 87, of Floyds Knobs, Ind., died Saturday, Dec. 5, 1998, in Louisville, Ky.

Mr. Carron was born in Biloxi and had been a longtime resident before moving to Floyds Knobs in 1994. He was the owner of the Log Cabin Grocery, Carron's Ice Cream Parlor and Biloxi Hardware. He was also manager of Be Wise Super Market. He was a former member of the Biloxi Kiwanis Club, Biloxi Lions Club and the Biloxi Rotary, and he also served as a former member and president of Nativity Parish Council. Mr. Carron was a member of Biloxi Chamber of Commerce, Biloxi Yacht Club, National School Board Commission, Biloxi School Board, Mississippi State Board of Education, Gulf Coast School Board, Knights of Columbus third and fourth degree, LePerrot Carnival Club and Mithras Carnival Club.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Cecilia Carron; and a granddaughter, Katy Carron.

Survivors include two sons, Richard Carron of Mandeville and Michael Carron of Bay St. Louis; a daughter, Ann Garner of Floyds Knobs; a brother, Donald Carron; a sister, Dorothy McFall, both of Biloxi; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Tuesday evening at Howard Avenue Chapel of Bradford-O'Keefe Funeral Homes in Biloxi. Mass was celebrated Wednesday at Nativity B.V.M. Cathedral. Burial was in Biloxi City Cemetery.

The family prefers memorials to Memorial Hospice, P.O. Box 1810, Gulfport, MS 39502.

VERLA GUIN

Mrs. Verla Guin, 89, of Pass Christian, died Saturday, Dec. 5, 1998, in Pass Christian.

Mrs. Guin was a native of Alabama and was a homemaker.

Survivors include a daughter, Billie R. Ragland of Brent, Ala.

Mrs. Guin was sent from Riemann Funeral Home in Gulfport to Lawrence Funeral Home in Winfield, Ala., for services and burial in Liberty Cemetery in Winfield.

JOHN J. MEYERS

John J. Meyers, 76, of Bay St. Louis, died Wednesday, Dec. 9, 1998, in Bay St. Louis.

Arrangements are incomplete at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

PAUL R. MILDICE

Paul R. Mildice, 61, of Pass Christian, died Tuesday, Dec. 1, 1998, in Pass Christian.

Mr. Mildice was born in Chicago and had been a resident of Pass Christian since 1970. He returned from the Navy after 20 years of service and was a member of Central Baptist Church in Long Beach.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Hartwig.

Survivors include his wife, Beverly A. Mildice of Pass Christian; two daughters, Sandra Smith of Woodland, Wash., and Candy Holbert of Gulfport; two sons, George K. Holbert of Long Beach and Paul L. Holbert of Germany; three sisters, a brother, and three grandchildren.

Services were conducted Monday at Bradford-O'Keefe Funeral Home Chapel in Gulfport. Burial was in Biloxi National Cemetery in full military honors.

ORVIS L. NORTH

Orvis Leonard North, 72, of Kiln, died Monday, Nov. 23, 1998, in Kiln.

Mr. North was a native of Yuba, Wis. He was a resident for three years in the Kiln community and was a member of Shifalo Baptist Church. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving in World War II and a member of the B.P.O. Elks U.S.A. Lodge 822, Galena, Ill.

He was preceded in death by his former wife, Marie Seal; his parents, Randolph and Louvenia Seal; two sons, Paul and Jerry Seal; and a brother, Jack Seal.

Survivors include his present wife, Janie Ady Seal of Catahoula, former wife, Virales Cuevas of Standard; five sons, Ronnie Seal of Gulfport, Chuck Seal, Ricky Seal, David Seal and Randy Seal, all of Catahoula; two daughters, Karen Ladner of Standard and Chelle Seal of North Carolina; two brothers, Ray Seal of White Cypress Lakes, Miss. and Nathan Hoda of Diamondhead; two sisters, Melva Necaise and Dora Necaise, both of Catahoula; 18 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Monday at McDonald Funeral Home in Picayune. Services were conducted Tuesday at Catahoula Baptist Church, followed by burial in Bounds/Mitchell Cemetery in the Catahoula community.

FRANK QUINTINI JR.

Frank Xavier Quintini Jr., 72, of Arabi, La., died Friday, Dec. 4, 1998, in New Orleans.

Mr. Quintini was native of Bay St. Louis. He was a resident of Arabi and was a Catholic. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy having served during World War II. He was a retired interior designer and former owner of Quintini Interior in New Orleans.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis was in charge of arrangements.

DAVID WAINWRIGHT

David Hyram Wainwright, 93, of Waveland, died Saturday, Dec. 5, 1998, in Waveland.

Mr. Wainwright was a retired owner/operator of a sawmill.

He was a native of Bayou La Croix and was an Army veteran of World War II.

He was a retired interior designer and former owner of Quintini Interior in New Orleans.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Frank X. and Elise Perre Quintini Sr.; two brothers, Claude Quintini and Perre Quintin; and a sister, Marie Quintini.

Survivors include his wife, Elizabeth Colson Quintini if Arabi; two sons, Frank D. Quintini III of New Orleans and David M. Quintini of Arabi; two daughters, Gina Q. Monteforte of Metairie and Tina M. Quintini of Pascagoula; two sisters, Eloise Quintini and Andrae Quintini, both of Bay St. Louis; and eight grandchildren.

Visitation was Tuesday evening at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. Mass was celebrated Wednesday at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis. Burial was in Cedar Rest Cemetery in Bay St. Louis.

ALMA RUSPOLI

Alma Ruddock Ruspoli, 72, of Pass Christian, died Thursday, Dec. 3, 1998, in Gulfport.

Mrs. Ruspoli, a native of Pass Christian and a member of St. Paul Catholic Church in Pass Christian, was queen of the St. Paul Carnival Association in 1976. She was a member of VFW Auxiliary, Post 5931, Pass Christian, and a member of MOCA Pup Tent No. Two, Gulfport.

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Survivors include her husband, Frank A. Ruspoli of Pass Christian; a daughter, Ghetti Gilliam of Truckee, Calif.; two sisters, Zelia Dorothy Williams of Theodore, Ark., and Gladys Montgomery of Rockford, Ill.; a granddaughter and a grandson.

Visitation was Tuesday evening at Riemann Funeral Home in Pass Christian. A Funeral Mass was celebrated Wednesday at St. Paul Catholic Church. Burial was in Live Oak Cemetery in Pass Christian.

JAMES C. SEAL, SR.

James C. "JC" Seal Sr., 71, of Picayune, died Sunday, Dec. 6, 1998, in Slidell.

Mr. Seal was a native of Catahoula and was a contractor and owner of the Spreader/Grader Byonic Blayne Inc. in the construction industry. He was a member of Catahoula Baptist Church.

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Visitation was Wednesday at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Waveland followed by services. Burial was in Bayou La Croix Cemetery.

Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis was in charge of arrangements.

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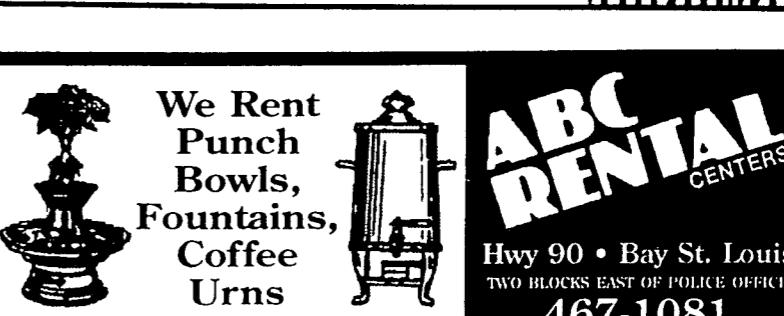
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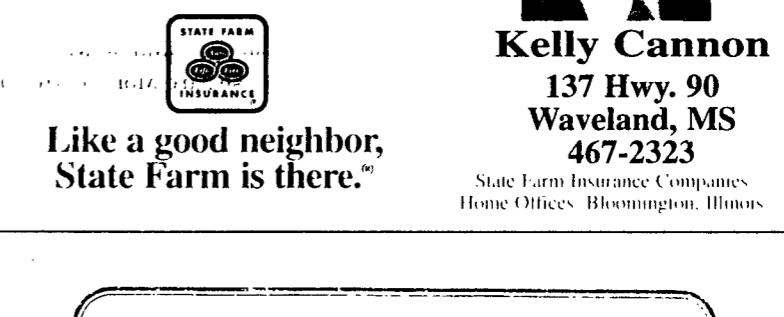
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Food pantry contributions

Cadets from Bay High School Air Force ROTC delivered canned goods to the Hancock County Food Pantry. The event culminated three intense weeks of coordination, collection and cooperation among the cadets, teachers and community. The final count: 620 items to help over 20 families for the holidays.

ST. ANN-ST. JOHN NEWS

Thoughts for meditation:
You are as young as your faith, as old as your doubts; as young as your self-confidence, as old as your fear; as young as your hope, as old as your despair.

—Ullman

It is not only the old who are wise, not only the aged who understand what is right.

Job 32:9

He will cover you with His feathers, and under His wings you will find refuge; His faithfulness will be your shield.

Psalm 91:4

Staying calm is the best way to take the wind out of an angry person's sails.

Proverbs 16:32

The weakest among us has a gift, however seemingly trivial, which if worthily used, will be a gift also to his race.

—Ruskin

Lord, help me never to scoff at another's weakness or to try to cover my own. Instead, help me encourage others and hold my weaknesses up to You for healing. Amen.

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Today and Friday, Dec. 11, there will be visitation of the sick and shut-ins by Father Kelly.

On Sunday, Dec. 13, following the children's 10:30 a.m. mass, there will be a parish Christmas luncheon.

CCD children will perform in

Post office asks customers to mail early; provides tips

The Pass Christian Post Office is ready to help you "Fly Like an Eagle" through the holiday season, but with mail volume continuing to increase, "Mail Early" are again the watchwords this year.

"This 1998 holiday season, U.S. Postal Service customers will bring 16.7 billion cards, letters and packages to post offices during the holiday season," Pass Christian Postmaster Sheila Beaugez said.

"We are asking customers to keep it coming during the busiest time of the year, but please start early so we can make sure everything is delivered on time," she added.

Beaugez said that customers can help by providing window clerks with full information on packages, such as requirements for insurance, delivery confirmation, desired time for package arrival and other pertinent information.

To help customers, she suggests the following mailing tips:

- Write, type or print the complete delivery address neatly.

- Always use a return address.

- Always use complete address information, such as Ave., Blvd., and St. Always use the apartment or suite number. Always use correct directional, such as N, W and SW.

- Don't let an incorrect ZIP code delay delivery of cards and letters. Local post offices and the Postal Service Web site — www.usps.com — offer ZIP Code information.

- Select a container that's strong enough to protect the contents. Leave space for cushioning inside the carton.

- Always use tape that is designed for shipping, such as pressure-sensitive tape, nylon-reinforced craft paper tape or glass-reinforced pressure-sensitive tape.

- Plain air-popped popcorn, shredded or rolled newspaper, bubble wrap, or Styrofoam peanuts work well for cushioning package contents.



Brinkley to sign at Bookends

Award-winning author Douglas Brinkley will be at Bookends Bookstore in Bay St. Louis on Sat. Dec. 12 at 1 p.m. to sign copies of his new book "American Heritage History of the United States", Viking, \$50.

The book is a 640 page narrative of American history beginning in Europe 1348 and ending with Kenneth Starr's report in 1998. With over 500 pictures, many in full color, it takes readers on an incredible, vivid journey through this country's history.

Brinkley covers everything from the split of the Union to the rise of American industry, from the great War and the Jazz Age to the Cold War and the Clinton years.

The book has garnered praise from the likes of Stephen Ambrose and Walter Cronkite.

For more information call Bookends at 467-9623. Bookends is located at 111 Highway 90 near the Bay Bridge.

St. Rose collects for pantry

The St. Rose de Lima Junior Daughters will be collecting canned good and food items door-to-door for the Hancock County Food Pantry.

Members will collect from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12.

For more information contact St. Rose de Lima.

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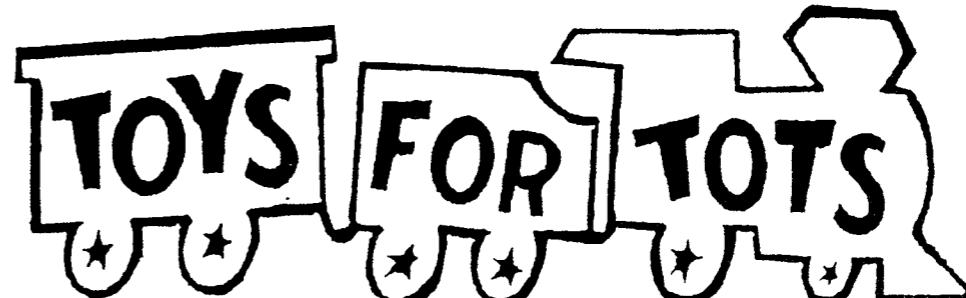
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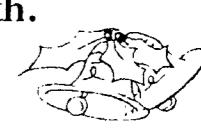
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Drawing to be held Saturday, December 12th.
Store drawings to be held at 2:00 P.M.
Final Drawing to be held at 3:00 P.M.



To increase your chances of winning, look for the "Toys for Tots" posters in participating Edgewater Village stores. Every Toys for Tots donation made between now and December 12th receives a bonus entry for the cruise drawing.

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CUEVAS' QUOTES

By Ellis C. Cuevas

Friday night marks the annual Christmas banquet for the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce.

As I understand, the event has been sold out for over two weeks with a waiting list.

Our own United States Congressman from Bay St. Louis, Gene Taylor, is the scheduled guest speaker.

New chamber president Teri Wyly will announce the chairman for the coming year of the chamber's various committees.

The banquet will be at Our Lady of the Gulf Community Center.

On Saturday morning children will have an opportunity of having breakfast with Santa at Hancock Medical Center from 7:30 a.m.-11:30 p.m.

This event is sponsored by the Hancock County Kiwanis Club, and tickets are \$3 each. For further information, call Reed Breeland at 467-9296.

Saturday is a busy day as the Hancock County Welcome Center will present a Mississippi Old-Fashioned Christmas which includes Santa and treats for the children.

The Welcome Center is located on Interstate 10 at the first exit as one enters the state from Louisiana.

There will be caroling, the Diamondhead Dancers and more for family entertainment from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Our Welcome Center is a very beautiful facility, and it is really a shame that not everyone in the county has paid a visit.

Bobbie Tate, center director, and her staff do a very fine job in welcoming visitors from across the nation to our great state of Mississippi.

Several folks and groups from the area help the Welcome Center's staff on special occasions.

Why not drop by and check the facility out and see the welcome our visitors receive.

A special Second Saturday will be held by the Old Town Bay St. Louis Merchants Association on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

There will be an art walk, open house entertainment and much more for the downtown merchants.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

I knew in a second,
he must be Saint Nick

Early this morning on my way to the Bay, I hailed a contracting crew from the fog's delay.

My request was simple, to retrieve our street sign from the ditch; being advised to contact the county as this was beyond their bounty.

Upon a second request for our neighborhood's plea, the kind gentleman said with a glee, "Lady, we could do it." He didn't say he would, but he did say he could.

As I drove out of sight, cross-

ing the Jourdan River Bridge in flight, what did I see in a glimmer, but the snowy-haired gentleman, with rosy-red cheeks, peering into the ditch at our sign in a pinch.

And returning home, what to my surprise did it find, but our standing street sign, retrieved and erected, and I knew in a second, he must be Saint Nick.

Thank you and Merry Christmas to all.

Wanda L. Haas,
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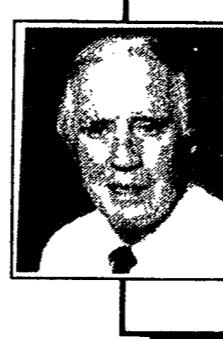
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EYES ON MISSISSIPPI

By Bill Minor



ASK THE V.A.

By Donald Mauffray
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VA will not add Viagra to required drug inventories

The drugs that must be available to all VA medical treatment facilities will not include Viagra.

Veterans will continue to have existing treatments for erectile dysfunction available in addition to new approaches. However, the cost of Viagra would have a crippling effect on VA's pharmaceutical budget at anticipated levels of use. The VA projects that the cost of providing Viagra could exceed \$280 million annually.

Other health insurers, including Aetna, Prudential Insurance Co. of America, Humana, Inc., and Kaiser Permanente, are also refusing to pay for Viagra prescriptions.

Military hospital care

Free care at military hospitals is based on the availability of space, personnel and technical capacity for all but active duty members.

A decision by the office of the assistant secretary of defense for health affairs has given priority "space-available" access to beneficiaries who are enrolled in Tricare Prime.

People who are 65 or older and entitled to Medicare are not eligible for Tricare Prime. They often find themselves excluded from military hospitals.

The Pentagon has been authorized to conduct tests at selected sites that will allow certain retired beneficiaries age 65 and older to continue their Tricare entitlement even after becoming entitled to Medicare.



FROM THE GOVERNOR

By Governor Kirk Fordice

Gov. Fordice commends '60 Minutes' segment

Governor Kirk Fordice commended a "60 Minutes" segment that ran Sunday, Nov. 1, that detailed fraud in registering and voting under the motor voter law. "60 Minutes" segment included stories of fictitious people registering, non-citizens registering, and people registering more than once.

Publications such as Readers Digest, Florida Times-Union, Boston Globe, Mobile Register, and Lake Charles American Press have all written about motor voter's lax registration requirements.

Gov. Fordice vetoed a motor voter law during the 1998 legislative session citing concerns about fraud and the lack of a voter ID provision.

"During election time we must remember that voting is a sacred right passed to us by the Founding Fathers. Because voting is a privilege, we must do all we can to protect the sanctity of those who vote legally."

"60 Minutes" did an admirable job in pointing out some serious flaws in the motor voter law. The potential for voter fraud documented in other

states makes it even more urgent that we should pass a voter ID requirement in Mississippi, either through the Mississippi Republican Party's petition drive or in the legislative session next year," said Fordice.

Fordice opposed the implementation of motor voter in Mississippi because of the voter fraud linked to motor voter in other states, the unfunded mandate that increases workload for state employees, and the wholesale replacement of state voter registration laws.

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Open house

Members of the Bay St. Louis Artist Co-op hosted an open house this past weekend. Co-op members include, from left, A. J. Reed, Regan Carney, Mark Buszkiewicz, Billy Ray Hammonds, Chris Johnson and Pat Drackett and son. For more information on the Artist Co-op, contact Regan Carney at 467-0073 or 466-9411. (Echo staff photo by B. R. Hawkins)

NASA names MSU a national remote sensing center

A new \$10 million NASA grant will make Mississippi State University a national center for remote sensing research.

Remote sensing uses space-based satellites and airborne platforms to capture and transmit data about the earth. Images created from the data help scientists monitor forests and land use, make agricultural decisions and analyze land-based systems such as railroads and highways.

In 1997, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration provided \$500,000 for MSU to become the Southern Remote Sensing Research and Training Center. Since then, the university has become a leader in the emerging technology, especially as it applies to precision agriculture and forest management.

The newly designated Applied Remote Sensing Center of Excellence "will expand and focus the university's basic and applied research in the areas in which it excels," said Robert A. Altenkirch, vice president for research. He praised Senators Trent Lott and Thad Cochran, along with Rep. Chip Pickering, for their support in securing the

appropriations.

"In the future, remote sensing could be a \$5-to-10 billion business with Mississippi playing a key role in the growth, development and commercial aspects of this innovative industry," Pickering said of the latest NASA grant.

The new center will focus on agriculture, forestry and wildlife, and transportation, with cross-emphasis on computational modeling and workforce development.

"These are areas of benefit to the state and the nation and areas in which Mississippi State has special expertise," said Nancy M. Cox, the Mississippi Agricultural and Forestry Experiment assistant director who chaired the committee drafting the center proposal.

The remote sensing center will take a multidisciplinary approach to research projects, Altenkirch said.

"We will focus on putting together teams to work on problems in both the public and private sectors," he added. "As a land-grant university, Mississippi State is experienced in translating research into benefits for the user."

Among agricultural problems remote sensing could immediately address is the proper application of nitrogen to cotton crops.

If the gaseous element is applied as fertilizer throughout the season, farmers often must apply a second chemical at the end of the season to terminate crop growth.

"Satellite data can help us learn just how much nitrogen is needed and could help determine precise locations for application," Cox said. "Solving this problem would provide direct economic and environmental benefits."

The effectiveness of remote sensing depends on the correct interpretation of data. To that end, MSU's expertise in computational modeling and scientific visualization will support the increased efforts in remote sensing research and teaching.

These educational activities will begin with enhanced classroom emphasis on remote sensing technologies. Mississippi State's Extension Service and Division of Continuing Education workshops also will provide links to K-12 schools and community colleges.

Second Saturday returns

A holiday Second Saturday Artwalk is scheduled from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 12, to benefit Save Our Children.

Highlights of the day's events include a performance by St Rose De Lima's Little People's Choir at 5 p.m., tree lighting at 5:30 p.m. followed by family caroling.

For more information contact Vicki Niolet at 467-8318 or Ellis Anderson at 467-7279.

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Area potter featured exhibitor

Local potter Regan Carney will be exhibiting a special collection of new work at Quarter Moon Galleries, 146 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, for the Holiday Second Saturday Artwalk.

The newest pieces include the popular "lettuce bowls" and serving dishes decorated with her signature swirl pattern glazing technique.

The collection will also feature vases, mugs, plates and platters in a variety of earthy colors.

"This is a great opportunity for those who missed last week's studio sale at the Bay Artists Co-Op. People love receiving pottery as a gift because it's designed and created with great care and love by a real craftsman and not some machine."

"Traditional hand-thrown pottery is becoming harder to find all the time because a lot of the older techniques are being bypassed for faster mass-production methods. But the feel of a real hand-made piece of pottery is unique. It's made to be appreciated for a lifetime."

Carney has been working in clay for the last 25 years and is currently teaching pottery. She is an active member of Bay Artist Co-Op. She'll be on hand all day to answer questions and discuss her techniques.

Refreshments will be served.

For information, contact gallery manager Carol Terrell at 467-7279.



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Arrests

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his three brothers who, at the time, were in other classes in the building," Stasny said. "Meanwhile, the classroom teacher notified the Bay High School Principal Sandra Reed and sent the threatened student to the office. Her actions were both appropriate and timely."

Assistant Principal Rusty Dempsey and police officer confronted the boys in a hallway and ordered them to the principal's office. Dempsey said he was shoved. The students became combative and attempted to leave the campus. The officer called for assistance. Units responded and all four of the students were arrested and taken to the Bay St. Louis Police Department.

The students will be brought before the Hancock County Youth Court and the Bay St. Louis Municipal Court. The brothers had recently moved to Bay St. Louis from out-of-state. Stasny said that

Friday a slight incident arose involving one of the brothers that caused school officials to check into the student's history. While there were a few problems, there was nothing in their records indicating any violent behavior. The students were not under any disciplinary actions. School officials would not identify the students but, according to reports, indicated that two students were junior and the older student was a senior.

Early accounts of the confrontation indicating that one of the students took the officer's gun were false, Stasny said. "The officer was in control of his weapon at all times." As a matter of precaution, Reed instructed teachers to lock classroom doors. Later, administrators visited with students and in classrooms to settle concerns.

Bay St. Louis Police Chief Frank McNeil said officers were struck and kicked but were not seriously injured.

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D'head Baptist sets Christmas musical

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Those who need directions to the church or information, call the church office at 255-3348 or contact Jacqueline Schorr at 467-1512.

Office hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Thursday.

Welcome Center schedules open house

Hancock County Welcome Center will have a Mississippi Old-fashioned Christmas Open House, Dec. 12, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

The Welcome center is located on Hwy. 607. Santa will be on hand to greet children. Entertainment will be provided by local churches and the Diamondhead Dancers.

Public meeting

The Hancock County Water and Sewer District has scheduled a public meeting Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 6 p.m. at the Hancock County Civic Center, 3068 Longfellow Road, Bay St. Louis.

Purpose of the hearing is to discuss the development of a public water system planned to serve water to the unserved areas of Hancock County, south of Interstate 10.

The general public is invited, as well as any other concerned parties.

Breakfast with Santa

The Hancock County Kiwanis Club will host its annual "Breakfast with Santa" on Saturday, Dec. 12 from 8-11 a.m. in the Hancock Medical Center cafeteria.

Tickets for the breakfast are \$4 for adults, \$3 for children or \$12 for the entire family.

Photos with Santa are available for \$3 each or two for \$5.

For more information or tickets, call Ken Austin at 452-7444 or Bernie Schmaltz at 467-4111.

'Hanging of the Greens' set Sunday

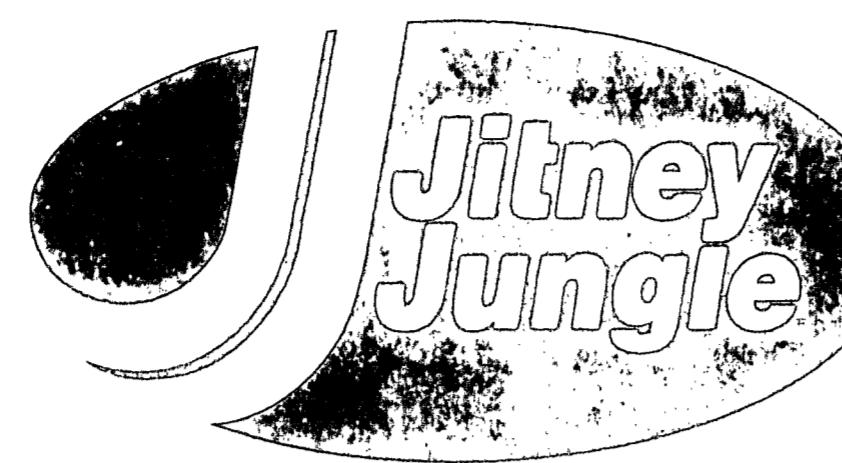
Main Street United Methodist Church, 162 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, will present its annual "Hanging of the Greens" service, a song-filled evening for the entire family on Sunday, Dec. 13 at 6:30 p.m. The A Cappella Choir will provide pre-show entertainment 6:15-6:30 p.m.

"Joy to the World," a Christmas pageant orchestrated by Don Hart, will be presented under the direction of Mary Howard, minister of music. The production will feature selections from the Chancel Choir, Generations Choir, Methodist Youth Fellowship Singers, God Singing Stars Children's Choir, as well as voice and piano students from the Mary Howard Studio.

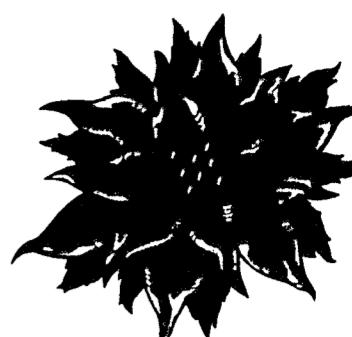
The special family-oriented evening will include traditional caroling with audience participation along with the lighting of the Christmas tree and nativity during the "Hanging of the Greens." A reception will be held immediately following the program in the Multi-purpose Building.

The program is free, and everyone is invited to bring family and friends. For information, contact the church office at 467-4538.

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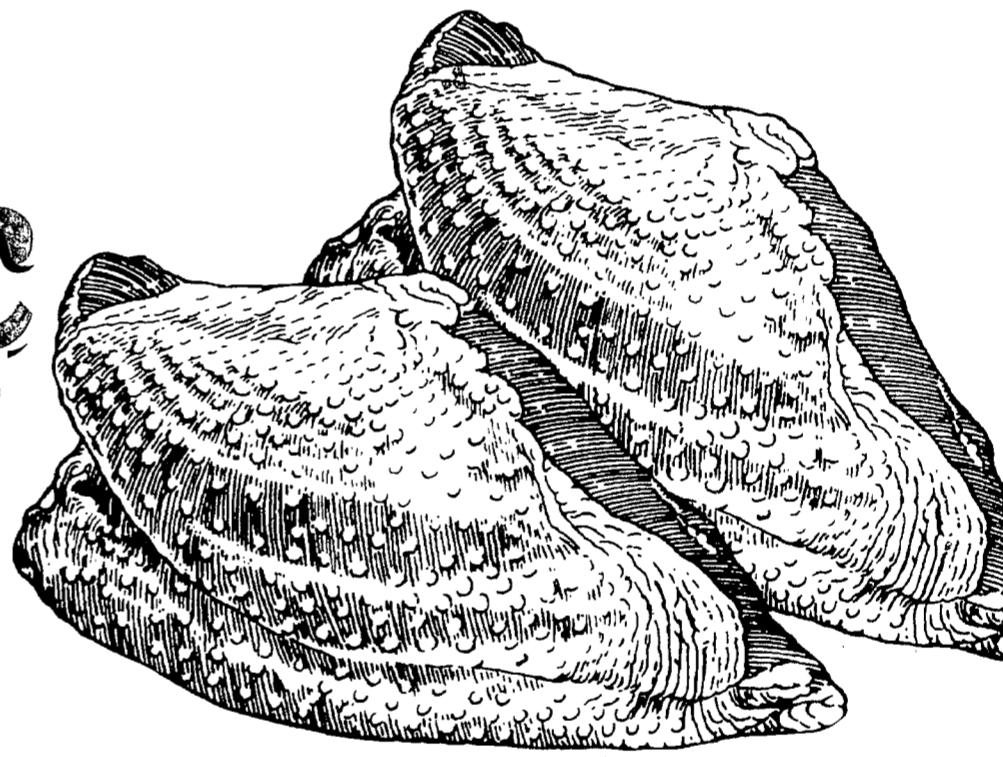
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Over 1,000 people visited the Fourth Annual Holiday Merchants Fair in Diamondhead Thursday, Dec. 3. The fair, held in the Ramada Inn of Diamondhead, was sponsored by the Diamondhead Business and Professional Association. Grand door prizes included a \$500 shopping spree, a cruise on the Passion III, a \$500 Savings Bond and a cash giveaway.

Robbery

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After turning over some money, the owner told police he watched the suspect flee in a brown-colored Ford Bronco, and he reported the last three numbers on the license tag were 766.

About 19 minutes later, at 8:39 p.m., a Bay St. Louis police officer began pursuing the vehicle as the Bronco went in various directions through Bay St. Louis.

Waveland police joined in the chase when the vehicle entered the city limits and as it continued north on Nicholson up Hwy. 603 to the Shoreline Park area.

Varnell said at the Bayou La Croix bridge the suspect in the vehicle made a U-turn, coming back south on Hwy. 603 to the Shoreline Park area.

"The pursuit continued through Shoreline Park to Harbor Drive and south to Hwy.

90," said Varnell. "And, a Waveland police officer deployed stop sticks, designed to flatten the tires.

"Two of the tires on the vehicle were flattened, but the suspect continued driving the vehicle west on Hwy. 90 to Bayside Park with officers still in pursuit," Varnell said.

Varnell said the suspect then turned the vehicle into one of the streets in the park and abandoned it. Shortly afterwards he stole another vehicle and was observed leaving Bayside Park.

Officers again went in pursuit when the vehicle continued to speed west on Hwy. 90 to Old Hwy. 90.

"The vehicle then made another U-turn, back east on Hwy. 90 to Harbor Drive," said Varnell. "Units continued to pursue the vehicle to an area in Shoreline Park around Ban-

croft Street where the suspect abandoned the vehicle and took refuge in a house."

Varnell said the Special Operations Division (S.O.D.) was called in and surrounded the house. At approximately 12:23 a.m. Tuesday the suspect surrendered and was arrested without incident.

Varnell identified the suspect as Robert Alan Roy, 24, of 725 Blue Meadow Road, Bay St. Louis.

The chief said the suspect was out on bond from a previous robbery of the E-Z Serve in Bay St. Louis.

Roy was taken to the Hancock County jail and charged with robbery. His bond was set at \$25,000. He faces a Jan. 6 arraignment in Bay St. Louis Municipal Court.

Varnell said the incident remains under investigation by Brett Ladner.

Waveland

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"I'm researching the situation, and the city attorney is researching the situation," said Waveland Mayor Tommy Longo. "We have sent off a letter in response to the notice of complaint."

The response, filed by Waveland City Attorney Ronnie Artigues, Jr., explained that while workshop meetings have been held in the mayor's office, to the city's knowledge no individual with mobility impairments has been denied access to the meetings.

The response further states that in one instance when an individual who was physically ill desired to address the mayor and the board, the meeting was moved to another location.

According to Artigues' letter, future workshop meetings will

be held in the City Hall Annex which is one-story building.

"In the future, workshops and other public meetings will be held in the Annex," confirmed Longo. "Even before we got this letter, my plans were to bring the meetings to the people, so holding the workshops in the Annex doesn't cause a change in plans."

The city's response states that while the city has never officially adopted a grievance procedure for complaints alleging discrimination based on disability, the present complaint is the first brought to the city's attention. Further, a written policy will be implemented as soon as possible.

Artigues also pointed out that the city's utilities, public works, tax, permit, and building departments are all located

on the first floor of City Hall. Further, the police, fire and court departments are all housed in one-story buildings.

Waveland Public Works Director Ray Eaton has completed a preliminary evaluation of City Hall, the city's public pier, library, fire station, and police station and provided proposed improvements.

Among the suggested improvements are ramps for the library, police station and fire station, an elevator for City Hall, and renovations to some of the existing bathrooms.

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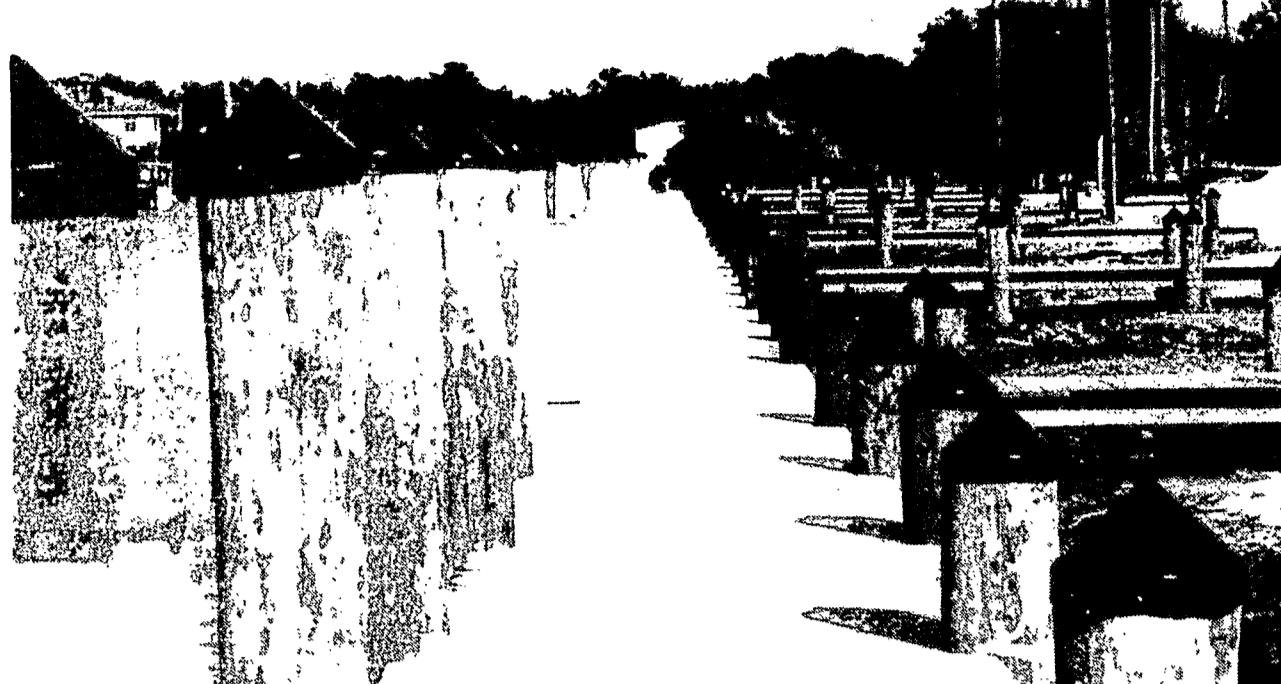
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New Marina

Hancock County's new marina is taking shape at the foot of Pleasure Street off Lakeshore Road. Engineers estimate the project should be completed within a month. (Echo staff photo by Ed Lepoma)

Marina

Bill Johnson, also with Compton Engineering, told the Echo that the marina will provide approximately 1,120 linear feet of docking space, with 580 feet of docking available on the east side and 540 feet on the west side.

Johnson said the boats will not have individual slips, but will be docked "end to end." The size of the boats will determine how many can be accommodated, he said.

At Monday's meeting, Johnson also asked guidance from supervisors on the second-phase of construction.

Johnson said, "We're (Compton) sitting on plans and specifications to put it out to bid."

But, supervisors told Johnson to hold off advertising for bids on construction of an elevated harbormaster's building, which will also contain

handicapped-accessible public restrooms.

Johnson estimates the building will cost between \$90,000 and \$100,000, and supervisors said before they advertise for bidders, they want to see how much Tideland funds are available for construction.

Supervisors had requested \$300,000 in 1999 Tideland funds to continue the marina project, but initially received only about \$189,000. Then, when Secretary of State Eric Clark reported more revenues had come in from casinos leasing bottomlands, the county's allocation was raised to about \$225,000.

The holdup means the marina will most likely open without public restrooms, but plans are to use port-a-lets at the site temporarily.

In other business Monday,

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supervisors:

- Approved a resolution by District 3 Supervisor Lisa Cowan and asking outgoing Transportation Commissioner Ronnie Shows to restore lights with turn signals at major intersections on U.S. Hwy. 90. Cowan also wants Shows to reinstall the blinking caution light on the bridge spanning the Bay of St. Louis.

- Promised residents of Old Lazy River Road that they will make an effort to improve their road conditions until it is paved as part of the county's \$5 million road improvement project.

- Approved a resolution asking Chancery Court judges to reconsider the permanent appointment of Robin Gryder-Gibson as Youth Court judge for Hancock, Harrison and Stone counties. Supervisors want a resident of Hancock County appointed to the position.

Litigation

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but the city is facing an undetermined bill from CSX for rights-of-way.

Monday, Jeff Loftus of Gulf Regional Planning Commission told a City Council workshop he's reluctant to call Mississippi Department of Transportation officials concerning the bikeway project.

"I'm at the point where I don't even like to call MDOT anymore, because we haven't had much progress," Loftus said. "...I'm at the point where I don't want to raise another flag with them."

The issue resurfaced Tuesday attorney Donald Rafferty said intense negotiations with CSX over the bike path crossings of railroad tracks, and the rights-of-way for drainage easements are in progress.

Rafferty said he would prefer to discuss details in an executive session, but he indicated the city has chosen to postpone legal action against the railroad to see if the negotiations will bear fruit.

"We could wait forever," said at-large council member James Rutherford. "We've already waited two years."

Council member James Thriffiley said if CSX officials are balking over a few bike path crossings of the tracks, it's not likely the company will cooperate with the city's drainage projects. "The truth is that bike path is slipping away and the drainage is up in the air," Thriffiley said.

Mayor Eddie Favre said the city has gotten a "right of entry" agreement for the drainage project in negotiations. "What's up in the air," he said, "is how much it's going to cost us."

Favre said CSX wants \$30,000 per acre for the drainage rights-of-way at issue. With more than three acres of property in discussion, the tab totals over \$100,000, council was told.

Thriffiley suggested that the bike path project is funded through state and federal transportation programs that are pushing alternative means of transportation to save fossil fuel usage. That includes rail transportation, he said. But "Here's the train people coming back and slamming the door on the bike path."

Rafferty said CSX officials are concerned about the safety of motorists crossing the tracks -- much less children on bikes. The

company may give the city the right to cross tracks at two locations, he said, for every one crossing that the city agrees to close.

That position, said council president Tad Black, is "stupid."

The city has been considering building only part of the overall bikeway project which is away from the tracks entirely: on both sides of Dunbar Avenue, between Highway 90 and North Beach Boulevard.

MDOT awarded a grant of almost \$1 million a couple of years ago, to finance an extensive pedestrian walkway and the bike path system throughout the city. Portions of the work are to be completed by the county, and the cities of Bay St. Louis and Waveland.

Meanwhile, the same set of monthly bills that council did pay contained an \$8,900 invoice from Geoscience Engineers, a firm the city hired to study soil conditions along portions of the drainage canals that have been built.

City officials are concerned about some areas of the slopes which have collapsed, even before the project is complete. Repair estimates range from \$150,000 to \$200,000.

Colom has been awarded some \$4.2 million in contracts for the first two segments of drainage work. The third and final segment hasn't gone out for bids yet, and it isn't clear whether the contractor or the city will have to bear the cost of repairing the faltering canals.

Council set a special workshop for Dec. 17, at 7:30 p.m., to discuss the drainage projects with Chiniche.

In other business, Favre had seven "Friends of the Depot" designations in thanks for contributions made by local citizens, government agencies and Casino Magic.

Cited were L.J. Griffin, Betsy Pincus and Charles Gray; the Hancock County Tourism Development Bureau, Hancock County Library System, Hancock County R.S.V.P., and Casino Magic, for various acts of assistance and donations.

DMR sets public hearing today

The Department of Marine Resources will hold a public hearing to receive public comments regarding an application submitted by the President/Broadwater Hotel, LLC and President Casino Inc. to fill or impact 66 acres of Mississippi Sound and modify 260 acres north of Hwy. 90 for the purpose

of creating a casino destination resort with six casinos, 12 hotels, retail and entertainment facilities and a 400-slip marina.

The hearing will be 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 10 at the Coast Coliseum Convention Center, Hall D.

Officers

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area, Corr said the deputies "were greeted by a very strong odor of marijuana."

Corr said the agents started pulling out bundles of the dope, and some bags were covered with baby powder while others with axle grease in an obvious attempt to disguise the smell.

The agents seized about 72 pounds of marijuana, with an estimated street value between \$85,000 and \$100,000, but Corr said no one on the bus matched

the number on the claim tickets, so no arrests were made.

Once repaired, the bus and its passengers were allowed to

continue on their way, Corr said.

An investigation is continuing.

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Grand opening

Fashion Express Jewelry & Gifts, 100 North Beach Mall in Old Town Bay St. Louis recently observed its grand opening with a special blessing ceremony by Father Bob Kelly S.V.D. Participating in the event were Dick Stamm, left, Todd Thriffiley, Bonnie Tanner, Jerry Dixon, Janet Power, Leona Perret, owner Jean Ann Thriffiley, Lillian Thriffiley, Jim Thriffiley, Father Kelly, Tad Black, Jannell Moore, Amy Gregory and Joe Monti. The shop is open daily 10 a.m. till 5 p.m. and Sunday from noon till 5 p.m. For more information, call 467-2007. (Echo staff photo by Cecilia Howe)

Diamondhead builders take numerous awards at banquet

The Home Builders Association of Mississippi recently announced its winners of the Best in Mississippi Building and Remodeling Awards with Art and Janet Young of Lifestyles 2000 Homes in Diamondhead as multiple category winners.

The Youngs took awards in the Single-family New Construction, 1,800-2,500 square feet Custom Home category for "The Sanibel."

This beautifully crafted home has three bedrooms, two and one-half baths, dining room, sitting room, family room, kitchen and a two-car garage. The total square footage for this home is 2,228.

They were also awarded in the Single-family New Construction, more than 2,500 square feet Spec Home category for "The Savannah." Handsome old oaks, lush gardens and manicured lawns surround this 2,960 square foot European style home.

Amenities include expert exterior finishing, palladian windows, formal dining and living room, kitchen, sitting room and five bedrooms.

The Youngs walked away with yet another award in the Commercial Building, Commercial New Construction category for "The San Destin." This state-of-the-art Design Center permanently displays and promotes the product of the builder.

This popular model, normally consisting of 2,446 square

feet of heated area, has been fully furnished with a welcome center, complete with renderings, floor plans, standard selections and optional items, bringing the heated area to approximately 3,000 square feet.

This competition, sponsored by the 3,400-member statewide trade association, honors outstanding work of the state's builders and remodelers.

Other winners include:

Bob Higginbotham of Southern Builders in Olive Branch for his entry in Single-family New Construction. Higginbotham's entry won the Grand Award, which is the "best of the best in Mississippi."

— Jay Williams of the Powers

Company in Pascagoula for his entry in the Single-Family New Construction — Spec Home less than 1,800 square feet category.

Bruce Hartfield of Bruce Hartfield Builders, Inc. in Clinton for his entry in the Single-family New Construction — Custom Home — more than 2,500 square feet category.

Jim Carney of Heritage Properties in Jackson for his entry in the Multi-family New Construction 50 or more units category.

Also awarded was the Merit Award to Gary Dailey of Cornerstone Construction in Tupelo for his innovative and unique entry, "The Robbins Residence."

Census Bureau offering jobs in Hancock County

The U.S. Census Bureau is making preparations for Census 2000, and it has openings for field workers in Hancock County. The work will begin in January. Full-time and part-time positions are available.

The hourly pay ranges from \$8.50 to \$10, depending on the specific job assignment.

Work is available on weekdays and also on weekends. We're looking for people who are unemployed or who are retired," said regional recruiter Donna Stovall. "We're also looking for people who may be working

and want to schedule census work around their current job."

Since local residents know their own community better than anyone else, the Census Bureau is hoping to hire people who live in the neighborhoods where address updating will be conducted.

No experience is needed for these jobs, as paid training is provided by the Census Bureau.

The job duties primarily involve driving and walking through urban communities to update Census Bureau maps and addresses. Field workers also speak with residents to confirm the accuracy of family names and addresses.

Applicants for census field work must pass a written exam of basic work skills. The exam only takes about 30 minutes, and an extra hour is needed to process employment paperwork.

To qualify, applicants must be a U.S. citizen and 18 years old (or 16 with a GED or high school diploma). It is also desirable for applicants to have their own transportation.

To obtain information about this job opportunity, contact the local census field office in Gulfport at (228) 822-9019 or phone the Dallas regional census office toll-free at 1-888-325-7733.



Greenwood man sentenced in securities fraud case

Secretary of State Eric Clark and Leflore County District Attorney Frank Carlton announced that Percy Barr, 40, of Greenwood, a former securities representative of Primerica Financial Services, Inc., has been sentenced to one year in prison for conviction on one count of securities fraud.

"Our office works very hard investigating these securities cases," Clark said. "Thanks to the work of strong prosecutors, we are able to send the message that criminals will be punished."

In addition, Barr was ordered to undergo nine years of post release supervision and ordered to pay restitution in the sum of \$56,649 plus court costs. The sentence was imposed by Leflore County Circuit Court Judge Ashley Hines.

The criminal conversion of investor funds occurred between May 1996 and December

Real estate licenses issued

Real estate examinations were held for the months of November in Jackson for those persons desiring to enter the field of real estate sales, rentals and other related real estate activities.

Eight individuals sitting for the broker examination successfully completed the requirements and will now become licensed real estate brokers.

Twenty-five individuals sitting for the salespersons examination successfully completed the requirements and will now be awarded the salesperson license.

The examination consists of 100 questions prepared by the American College Testing Services (ACT) for real estate license law officials across the United States and Canada. Applicants are questioned concerning the Mississippi real estate law and rules and regulations governing their activities in that vocation.

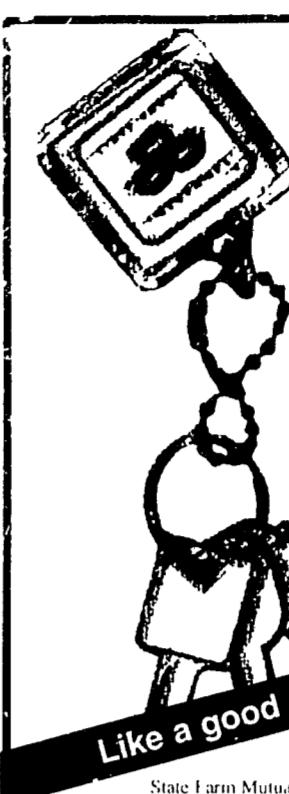
Commissioner Lenny Sawyer, 5th Congressional District, Gulfport, announced Lisette Cartagena, Yvonne Griffith and Joan Abbley Lopez, all of Hancock County, have each received a salesperson's license.

Frisbie attends manager's retreat

Nell Frisbie of Latter & Blum recently attended a four-day working retreat in Key West, Fla. The managers' retreat directly followed the "Top of the Latter" retreat, a meeting of Latter & Blum's top agents.

The retreat was an opportunity for managers to share information, engage in the development of new programs for customers and clients and plan strategically for the future.

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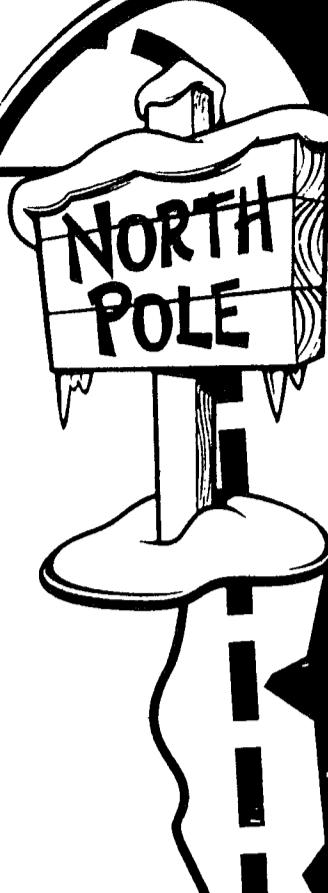
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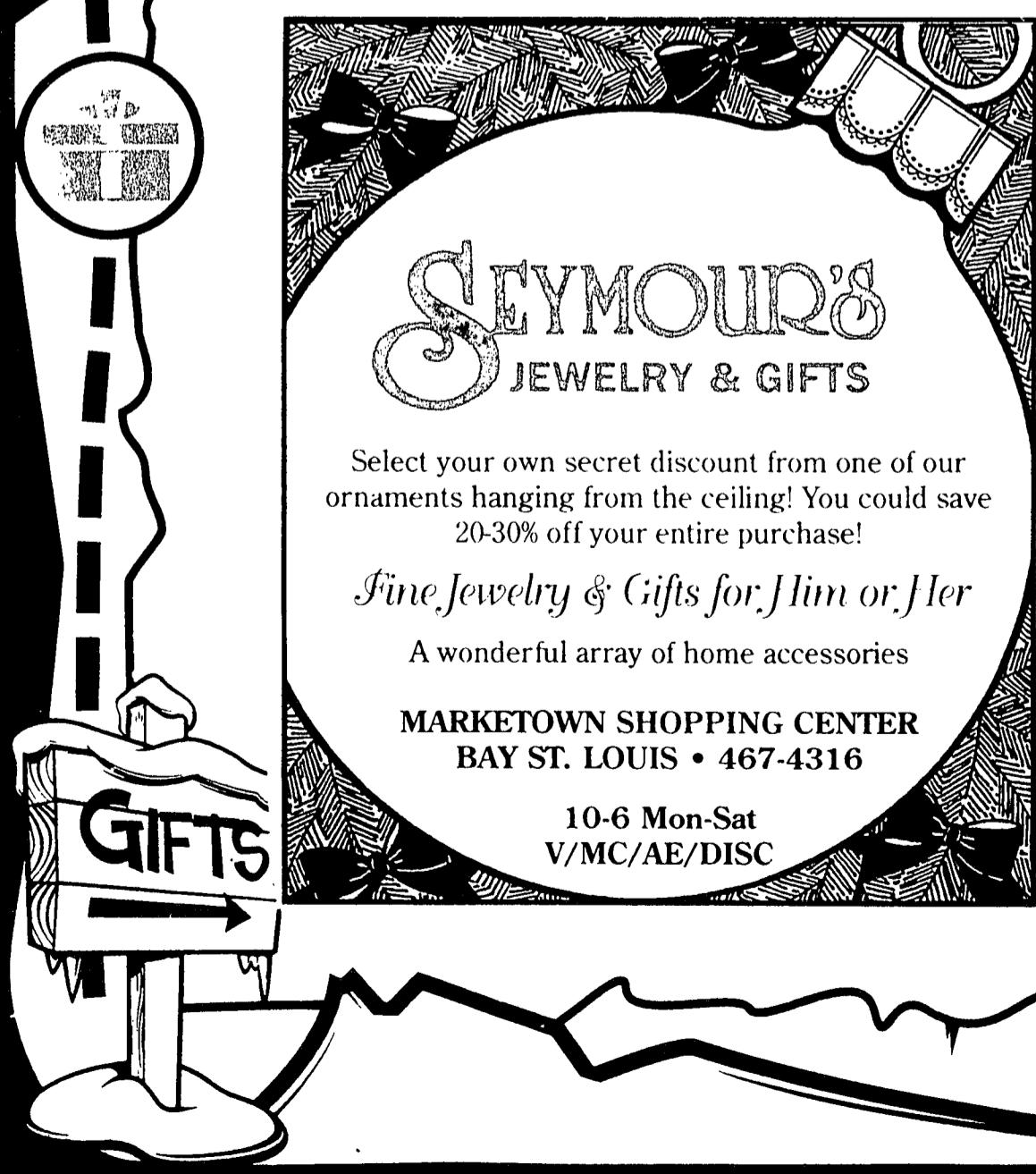
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COMMUNITY

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St. Stanislaus focuses competition on academics

**STORY AND PHOTOS
BY B.R. HAWKINS**

St. Stanislaus hosted its 8th annual Academic Competition for Excellence (A.C.E.) this past weekend.

The competition, which showcases talents of the top young minds on the Gulf Coast, attracted over 500 fifth, sixth, and seventh graders from Mississippi schools from Pearl River to Pascagoula and from

the Coast to Hattiesburg. Fifty-one schools along the Gulf Coast and South Mississippi—including six in Hancock County—sent representatives to compete academically and tour the Bay St. Louis campus. ACE coordinator, Mike Gemili said, "Our program offers the schools a chance to recognize these youngsters for accomplishments that might have gone unrecognized. The

program this year was have thoroughly enjoyed them-fantastic and the youngsters selves."

The fifth, sixth and seventh graders sat for competitive tests in English, science, math, and social science. Trophies were awarded for first, second, and third place in each subject per grade level.

There were a number of events and entertainment for

the student representatives including a demonstration of engineering and research equipment by the Naval Oceanographic Office, a magician presented slight of hand, and hot air balloonists greeted representatives as they arrived.


Fifth Grade English

Winners, from left, Laura Kergosien, third place, Bay Catholic School; Manion Anderson, second place, Eastlawn Elementary; and Becky Weitzel, first place, St. James School.


Sixth Grade English

Winners, from left, Nicole Wheat, second place, South Side; Matthew Cannon, third place, Hancock North Central Elementary; and (not pictured) Megan Maher, first place, St. James School.


Seventh Grade English

Winners, from left, Amanda Hodges, third place, Sacred Heart-Hattiesburg; Jamie Gavin, first place, North Woolmarket Elementary; and Micah Keyan, second place, Sacred Heart-Hattiesburg.


Fifth Grade Math

Winners, from left, Nichole Ford, second place, Moss Point Escatawpa Elementary; Rodney Smith, first place, Pass Christian Elementary School; and Madison Price, third place, Stone Elementary.


Sixth Grade Math

Winners, from left, Ashlee Cole, second place, Moss Point-Orange Lake Elementary; Eric Besson, first place, Gulfview Elementary; and Al Walsh, third place, Hancock North Central Elementary.


Seventh Grade Math

Winners, from left, Tony Lavant, second place, Moss Point Ed Mayo Junior High; Jamie Turner, first place, Moss Point-Magnolia Junior High; and Lauren Veach, third place, Our Lady Academy.


Fifth Grade Social Studies

Winners, from left, James Kyle Moore, second place, Sacred Heart-Hattiesburg; Mary Maher, first place, St. James School; and Preston Couley, Bayou View Elementary.


Sixth Grade Social Studies

Winners, from left, Meredith Price, second place, Westminster Academy; Daniel Odom, first place, Westminster Academy; Jackson Boone, third place, St. John Elementary; and Joey Wilkerson, honorable mention, St. Martin Middle School.


Seventh Grade Social Studies

Winners, from left, Greg Taylor, second place, Sacred Heart-Hattiesburg; Bradley Tolar, first place, Ocean Springs; and Crystal Gordon, third place, Pearl River Central Middle School.


Fifth Grade Science

Winners, from left, Trey Swanson, second place, Gulfview Elementary; Andy Fontenot, first place, Sacred Heart-d'Iberville; Emily Hoff, third place, St. James School; and Clayton Tate, honorable mention, Hancock North Central Elementary.


Sixth Grade Science

Winners, from left, Velvet Champagne, second place, Gulfview Elementary; Justin Poelma, first place, St. Martin Middle School; and Drew Ruhr, third place, Gulfview Elementary.


Seventh Grade Science

Winners, from left, Holly Swisher, second place, d'Iberville Middle School; Candace Mixon, first place, Our Lady Academy; and Amanda Baker, third place, Picayune Junior High School.

SPORTS

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The Bob Harmon Football Forecast

NFL Forecast Sunday and Monday, Dec. 13-14

Arizona, 18—Philadelphia, 13**
(Sunday) In a battle of punchless offenses in Week Three, Arizona scored two late TD's to beat the Eagles 17-3. The Cardinals haven't swept Philadelphia since they played in St. Louis 14 seasons ago.

Atlanta, 26—New Orleans, 15**
The Falcons defense produced three second-half turnovers in their mid-October matchup with the Saints, helping Atlanta to a 31-23 win. The Falcons will take their eighth straight N.O.

Buffalo, 21—Oakland, 20
There's no tougher call this week, because both of these teams are confident yet desperate for a win. The Bills should prevail by running the ball against the Raiders' soft defensive line.

Carolina, 16—Washington, 10
All that's at stake in this game is whether the Panthers or the Redskins are the NFC's bigger disappointment. This will be Carolina's first win over Washington, after losses in '95 and '97.

Dallas, 27—Kansas City, 14**
Call this the Reversal of Fortune Bowl, with the Cowboys and Chiefs having seasons that are mirror images of '97. Dallas will win its third in a row over K.C. with a dominant ground game.

Denver, 29—N.Y. Giants, 16**
We couldn't find anything hidden in either club's stats that gives the Giants any chance of pulling off a stunning upset. The Broncos beat N.Y. 27-13 six years ago, the last time they met.

Green Bay, 35—Chicago, 12
The Packers have something big going for them in the last three weeks of their unsteady march to the playoffs: They get to play the Bears twice. G. B. has won eight straight in this series.

Bay Youth football league ceremony emphasized education

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Education was the emphasis at the Bay St. Louis Youth Football and Cheerleader Awards Ceremony on Tuesday, Dec. 8, at the Hancock County Civic Center.

League president Ree Elliott was the master of ceremonies and opened the presentation of awards with a hearty word of thanks to his staff of 12 commissioners for their hard work.

He praised the city of Bay St. Louis for their unwavering support behind the league this year.

Elliott stated, "This year we didn't waste any time with registration. We started that process when basketball was still going on and continued it through the summer. We held a clinic for both the football players and the cheerleaders and a clinic for the coaches."

"The clinics were designed to educate the players on proper techniques and use of equipment. The coaches clinic was

created to ensure that our coaching staff was the best available. Moreover, to ensure that the coaches were instructing the players on the newest and safest techniques for the game."

The ceremony was for the league's teams in the 7-8, 9-10, and 11-12 year old categories. Cheerleaders also participated in the same age groups.

Each player and cheerleader were presented with a trophy commemorating their season. The extra gift from the league varied for the girls and boys.

The cheerleaders opted to receive embroidered pants along with their trophy. They also received tote-bags earlier in the season to carry their belongings to and from the game.

The league presented each player with a \$50 savings bond to used for the child's education, in addition to receiving a trophy. The gift for the cheerleader and the players were equal in value.

Elliott stated, "We wanted to send a message to the kids that their education is a top priority. We stressed this year that football and all extracurricular activities are vital to a child's growth; however, we want to emphasize to them that their education is more important."

"We hope that by giving this gift it will motivate them in their pursuit of a quality education."

While each player received a trophy for participating this year, it was left up to the individual coaches to award any other special trophies to a particular athlete.

The most valuable player award from the 9-10 year old Lakeshore's team at the end of the season and traveled over to Long Beach to tangle with an unbeaten and unscorched upon Bearcat. The combined team defeated Long Beach 27-14 to end the season for the Bay St. Louis Youth Football League.

The 9-10 year old team sponsored by All Star Auto named Chad Boos as its best all-around player for the year. The team was coached by Dave Boos.

The 7-8 year old team named Colby Adams as their most valuable player. The team was coached by Shelia Beauguez, Steve Seymour, and Bruce Morreale.

The 7-8 year old team sponsored by 84 Lumber presented their most valuable player award to Garrett Sotak. The team was coached by Mark Tomasic.

The 11-12 team from Bay St. Louis combined with Lakeshore's team at the end of the season and traveled over to Long Beach to tangle with an unbeaten and unscorched upon Bearcat. The combined team defeated Long Beach 27-14 to end the season for the Bay St. Louis Youth Football League.

Hancock Lady Hawks take tournament championship

BY B. R. HAWKINS
Hancock Girls, 55—
Slidell, 48

Hancock High School Lady Hawks took the championship Saturday night in the annual invitational tournament. Hancock defeated Slidell 55-48. Jessica Pucheu and Mindy Ladner led the scoring with 18 points each. Ladner took in 14 rebounds. Pucheu had 10 rebounds, 3 steals and seven assists.

Bay Girls, 55—

Long Beach, 44

Bay High Lady Tigers took another win on the road Saturday as they put down Long Beach 55-44.

Bay Boys, 50—

Long Beach, 52

Bay High Tigers Aron Jordan and Stevie Lizana each scored 15 points in a tough two-point loss to Long Beach Saturday.

St. Stanislaus, 43—

Picayune, 62

St. Stanislaus fell to Picayune 62 to 43 leaving the Rocks 8 and 2 on the season. Zeke Davis hit for 12 points from the floor. Gary Martin scored 11 and junior Davis contributed seven points.

Our Lady Academy, 34—

St. John, 64

St. John walked away with the 64-34 win against Our Lady Academy Tuesday night. Denira Dedeaux led OLA scoring with nine from the floor including one three-point shot. Nina Crain contributed eight field goals and Keith Puckett, seven.

day night in the Lady Tigers 64-41 win over Pearl River Central. Sheena Ambrose scored 15 points and Keely Marshal contributed 15.

Bay High jumped out to a 24-point lead in the first quarter and never looked back.

Bay Boys, 78—

Pearl River Central, 48
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Soccer roundup

Long Beach 2-SSC 0

The Long Beach Bearcats shut out the visiting St. Stanislaus Rock-A-Chaws 2-0 Tuesday night in a district high school soccer contest.

The loss was the Rocks' first district setback. The team is 6-1 in district action and 9-2-1 overall.

St. Stanislaus will travel to Oak Grove on December 18 for their next game at 6 p.m.

OLA 2-Long Beach girls 1 Our Lady Academy maintained its perfect record with a 2-1 win against the Lady Bearcats in Long Beach Tuesday night.

Ashley Crisman scored twice for the 8-0 Crescents.

OLA will face Resurrection tonight at 6 p.m. in a road contest and will be back home Saturday to host the Ocean Springs Lady Greyhounds at 4 p.m. The junior varsity will also play Ocean Springs, beginning at 3 p.m.

Bay High girls 2-Picayune 0

The Bay High Lady Tigers blanked the visiting Lady Maroon Tide of Picayune 2-0 Tuesday night in soccer action.

The win evens their record to 3-3. No other game details were available at press time.

The Lady Tigers will host the Hancock Lady Hawks Friday at 5:30 p.m. and will then travel to Pascagoula to face Gautier at 1 p.m. on Saturday.

Silver Bullets, 25 — Enforcers, 15

Kids turn out to be real winners

BY B. R. HAWKINS

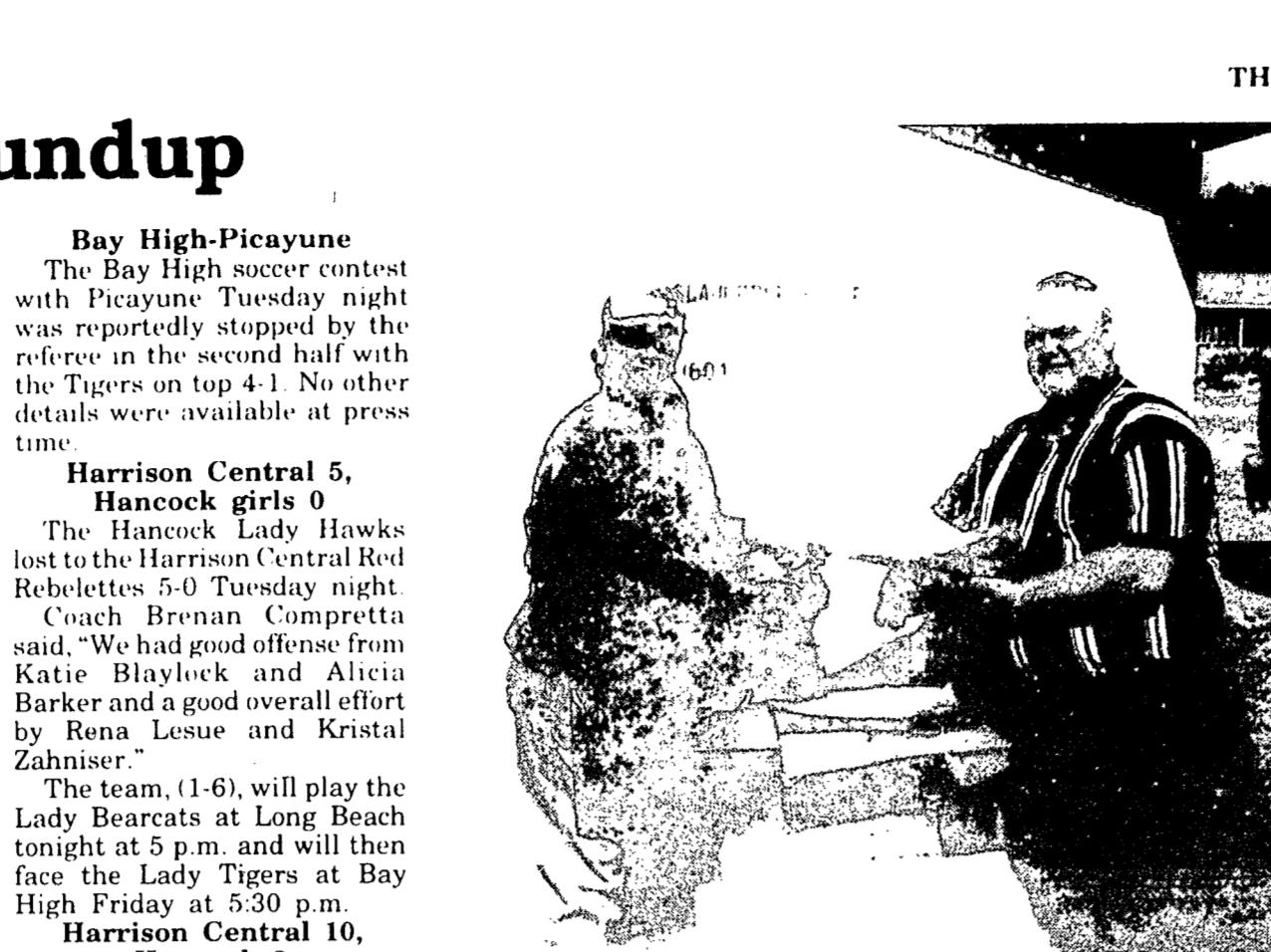
They looked great. They hit hard. The fans responded, and in the end both teams, the LA Law Silver Bullets and the Mississippi Enforcers, drove away with a truck load of toys for the kids.

The third annual Pig Bowl, begun as the brain child of Sgt. Bryan Kuhn of the Harahan Police Department and Capt. Matt Karl of the Hancock County Sheriff's Office to raise funds for Toys for Tots, pitted law enforcement officers from Louisiana and Mississippi in a full contact tackle football game at St. Stanislaus football stadium in Bay St. Louis Saturday.

"This is the first game we have lost to Louisiana," Karl said. The first game, played in Mississippi in 1996, ended with a Mississippi 9-12 victory. Last year, the Mississippi team again brought home the win. "We had a lot of penalties, but we played well together. If we had a longer time to prepare for the game, we wouldn't have had as many mistakes or injuries. But we'll get ourselves back together next year and maybe bring the trophy back home. The kids are really the winners here."

Karl and his fellow officers raised funds to equip the team this year. Donations of funding, as well as equipment, served the Enforcers well.

"We will still need to find donations for a few more helmets and jerseys for next year," Karl said. "But we cannot thank the merchants and friends who helped outfit and support this team this year. St. Stanislaus has hosted the game each year we've played in Mississippi. Abita Water donated all the water and Ernie, Ernie did a great



Feed the children

Tom Williams, a member of Hope Haven, makes arrangements with Malley's Slaughter House in Pass Christian to process wild game and domestic meats for the Feed the Children program benefiting Hope Haven in Bay St. Louis. The program, begun three seasons ago, and cosponsored by the Hunters Safety Teaching Team of Hancock County, South Mississippi Gun Association and Bayou Laterrre Hunting Club, encourages hunters to share their bounty with the children of Hope Haven. For additional information contact Williams at 228 467-4992 or leave donations at Malley's Slaughter House and Meat Market, 29156 Malley Road or call 255-3397.



Option play

Mississippi Enforcers quarterback Stu Rayburn (18) options off to his running back Gino Ascani (21) in the first offensive drive against the LA Law Silver Bullets. (Echo staff photo by B. R. Hawkins)

job as our commentator."

Players for the Mississippi Enforcers included Huston Dorr, Matt Millet, Rodney Conway, Joey Brockhoff, David Vioola, Stu Rayburn, Gino Ascani, Sammy Jewell, Tal Roboteau, Alex Athas, Hank Martinez, Mike Proulx, Ricky Dedeaux, Harry Ward, Matt Karl, John

Dedeaux, Joel Duncan, Chris Russell, Ian Estorff, Donnie Stewart, Bruce Morreale, Jimmy Strong, James Watts, Scott Asher, Jason Chighizola, Charles Pumphrey, Andre Fizer, John Favre, Roger Caplinger, Tony Kallas, Kasey Keith, Leon Poche, Larry Jones, and Tommy Corrington.

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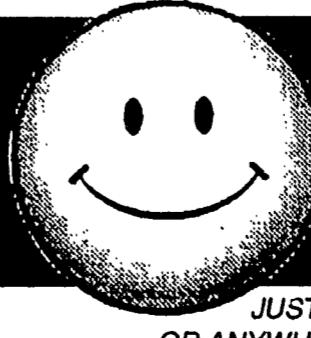
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Multi-cultural fair

Coast Episcopal School recently held its annual multi-cultural fair put on by the fourth grade. Each student represented a country, including Japan, Ireland, Czech Republic, Mexico and United Arab Emirates. Students reported on the history, geography, cuisine and dress of each country. Pictured are Hannah Price, left, and Andrew Killeen.



Stennis guest

Joseph Day, a kindergarten student from one of NASA/Stennis Space Center's adopted schools, Charles B. Murphy Elementary School in Pearlington, helps tour guide Wendy LeSueur decorate the Visitors Center Christmas tree at the John C. Stennis Space Center. About 30 students from the school took part in the annual event. The Visitors Center is open from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is free. The Visitors Center will be closed on Christmas Day, but will reopen at 9 a.m. Dec. 26. For information, call 1-800-237-1821 (option 1) in Mississippi and Louisiana or (228) 688-2370.

Bay student attends youth leadership forum

Mandy F. Richardson, a junior at Bay High School, recently attended the National Youth Leadership Forum on Law and the Constitution, Nov. 3-8 in Washington, D.C.

She joined 150 juniors and seniors from across the nation in an exploration of the legal profession.

Activities included discussions with legal scholars, seminars on current legal issues and visits to some of the nation's top law schools and law firms.

During the week, participants toured the White House, Capitol Hill, Arlington National Cemetery, the monuments, Smithsonian museums, and the Supreme Court. The group also participated in a week-long simulation, where they conducted a mock Su-

preme Court hearing based on an actual case.

Richardson received donations toward expenses from the Harrison County Young Lawyers Association and the Harrison/Hancock County branch of the Association of Legal Secretaries.



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Silver City Review

Silver City Review at Treasure Bay features native Coast entertainers

A number of Coast natives will share the limelight when Scalawag's Showbar presents Silver City Review in a two-week engagement.

The 11-piece showband performs everything from oldies to today's hits, and features superstar impersonations ranging from Elvis and Ray Charles to Aretha and Reba. The band performs at Treasure Bay Casino Dec. 15-20 and 22-27. All shows are 8 p.m. to midnight and admission is free for ages 21 and older.

Coast natives include Kari Bory and Chris Wilson, both of d'Iberville; Johnny Jefferson of Gulfport; Danny Johnson, M.J. Farve and Bill Shumski, all of Bay St. Louis; and Frank Newby of Pascagoula.

Transplants to the Coast are Dallas, Tex., natives Dave Maurushat and David Chap-

man. Maurushat now resides in Bay St. Louis, and Chapman resides in Ocean Springs.

Elvis impersonator Tim Hilliard from Nashville now claims Gulfport as home, and New Orleans native Mark Ridley resides in Woolmarket.

Members of Silver City Review have been performing together for more than two years, and are a familiar attraction at local events such as Cruisin' the Coast and St. Paul's Seafood Festival.

The band plays statewide at exhibitions, conventions and other special events.

Show producer and singer Danny Johnson said the band name was chosen to describe "a touch of class, a distinctive name for a super-group." The musicians are among "the very best musicians on the Coast," he added.

Musical charisma and comedy open the new year at Grand

Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons will share center stage with comedian Stewie Stone at the Biloxi Grand Theatre Friday, Jan. 1, 1999 at 7:30 p.m.

On May 26, 1956, using their original moniker, "The Four Lovers," four young men made their chart debut with "You're The Apple Of My Eye." Thirty-eight years later a remix of Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons (1976 #1 single) "December, 1963 (Oh, What a Night)" entered Billboard's charts at #79 and worked its way up the chart.

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Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons were one of the few American singing sensations whose successful careers were not derailed when the British invasion bombarded the U.S. music scene in the early 60s. In fact, 1964 ranks as one of their biggest years and included three top five hits. From 1962-68 The Four Seasons netted two dozen Top Forty singles.

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YARD SALE: XMAS ITEMS, Dec. 11, 205 Waveland Ave., 10 AM - till.

YARD SALE: UNION ST., BAYSIDE PARK, Saturday, all day.

YARD SALE: 7191 LOWER BAY ROAD, Lakeshore, Saturday, 8am-1pm.

YARD SALE: SATURDAY, 12th, 9am-3pm, 1705 Waveland Ave., Apt. 13.

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Hancock County holiday events and festivities

THURSDAY, DEC. 10

Diamondhead Business and Professional Assn. Christmas Party at 11th Frame Restaurant, Park Ten Lanes, Diamondhead, 6 p.m. RSVP 255-1086.

FRIDAY, DEC. 11

Hancock Chamber Christmas Banquet 7 p.m. at OLG Community Center. Congressman Gene Taylor is guest speaker. Cocktails 6 p.m. Reservations required. 467-9048

SATURDAY, DEC. 12

Bookends Bookstore, 111 Hwy. 90 near the Bay Bridge. Doug Brinkley autographs *American Heritage History of the United States* 1 p.m. 467-9623.

The Old Town Bay St. Louis Merchants Assn. Special Christmas Second Saturday in Old Town, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Art walk, open house, entertainment and more. A portion of proceeds to benefit Save Our Children. 467-7279

Hancock County Welcome Center Christmas Open House, I-10 and Hwy. 607, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. A Mississippi Old-fashioned Christmas, Santa, treats for the children, Christmas carols, the Diamondhead dancers and more. 533-5554.

Breakfast with Santa 7:30-11:30 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club. Tickets \$3. Contact Reed Breeland, 467-9296.

Second Saturday with Steve Shepard at the Ohr Center will do techniques in prismacolor pencils with children 6-14. Children must pre-register. Call 436-8607.



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Santa waves to the crowd from his sleigh during the Christmas in the Pass celebration Friday night (Echo staff photo by Betsy Gagnet)

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Waveland Civic Assn. Christmas Parade, 5 p.m. and **Waveland Festival of Lights**, 6 p.m. on Coleman Ave. Bonfire will be lit at 7:30 p.m. on the beach in front of Coleman Ave. Entertainment by St. Clare Church Choir and third grade, Waveland Elementary.

Christmas Card Line, Mollere Drive, Waveland. "Opening Night" celebration. Santa will be there from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Trolleys from Coleman Ave. to Christmas Card Lane will be available. Contact Beverly at 467-2618 or 467-5496.

Main Street United Methodist "Hanging of the Greens" service, 6:15 p.m. A song-filled evening for the entire family. 467-4538

Prismacolor Pencil Workshop at the Ohr Center, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. \$45 members, \$55 non-members. Instructor is Steve Shepard. Workshop teaches a technique of drawing with prismacolor pencils on watercolor paper darkened with washes of watercolor. List of materials available. Contact Anne Blocker at 436-8607.

TUESDAY, DEC. 15

Bookends Bookstore, Pajama Party with Santa, stories and photos, 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, DEC. 17

Chamber Christmas After Hours at Torgy's, Casino Magic, 5-7 p.m. Event is open to Chamber members and guests. Admission is two business cards. 467-9048

FRIDAY, DEC. 18

Bay Catholic Elementary School Christmas Program is 10 a.m., OLG

SUNDAY, DEC. 20

CCD Christmas Program, 7 p.m., OLG

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 23

Sacrament of the Sick, 11 a.m., OLG, Christmas Penance Service, 7 p.m., OLG

THURSDAY, DEC. 24

Masses, 5:30, 7:30 p.m. and midnight. The OLG Choir will perform 11:30 p.m.-midnight.

FRIDAY, DEC. 25

Masses 7:30 a.m., St. Joseph Chapel; 10 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., OLG

MORE RED RIBBON CHRISTMAS EVENTS

• Hope Haven is selling a unique Christmas throw with Bay St. Louis scenes by artist Henry Gonzales. Proceeds benefit Hope Haven. 467-7945

The Kid Company will open special holiday hours in Dec. Sundays, 1-4 p.m., Dec. 21-23 10 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Register to win Corduroy the Bear to be given away Dec. 23 (\$100 value). 467-6786.

• Image Co. Boutique, Blue Meadow Road, Bay St. Louis will have extended hours during the holidays, through Dec. 23, Monday-Saturday until 8 p.m. 467-0606.

• The Amazing Randolph's (467-9257 ext. 4161) and Torgy's (463-4040) at Casino Magic, will offer a holiday menu in addition to their regular menu during the holidays. Make your reservations.

• Casino Magic has gift certificates available to the Arnold Palmer Golf Academy or The Bridges Golf Resort. Call 1-800-562-4425, ext. 8062.

• Hairworks Full Service Salon, 404 Dunbar Avenue, Bay St. Louis, has holiday gift certificates available. Call 467-0104

Hancock County to receive FSA disaster loan applications

Emergency loans for farmers, ranchers and operators are available through the Pearl River County Office of the Farm Service Agency, said Jackie D. Williams, FSA Farm Loan manager.

As a result of this major disaster, Hancock County, as a

primary county in Mississippi, is named as an area eligible for federal disaster assistance pursuant to Section 321 (a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act.

Applications for assistance in the disaster-stricken county will be accepted by FSA through

June 1, 1999.

Farmers qualifying for emergency loans may borrow up to 80 percent of their actual production loss, or the amount needed to restore their operation to its pre-disaster condition, whichever is less.

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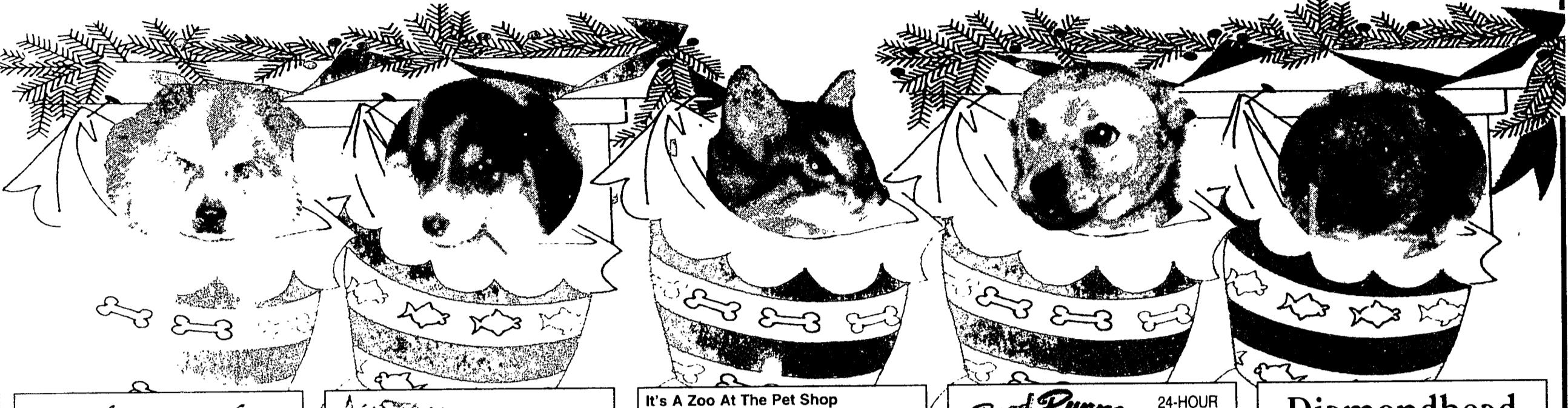
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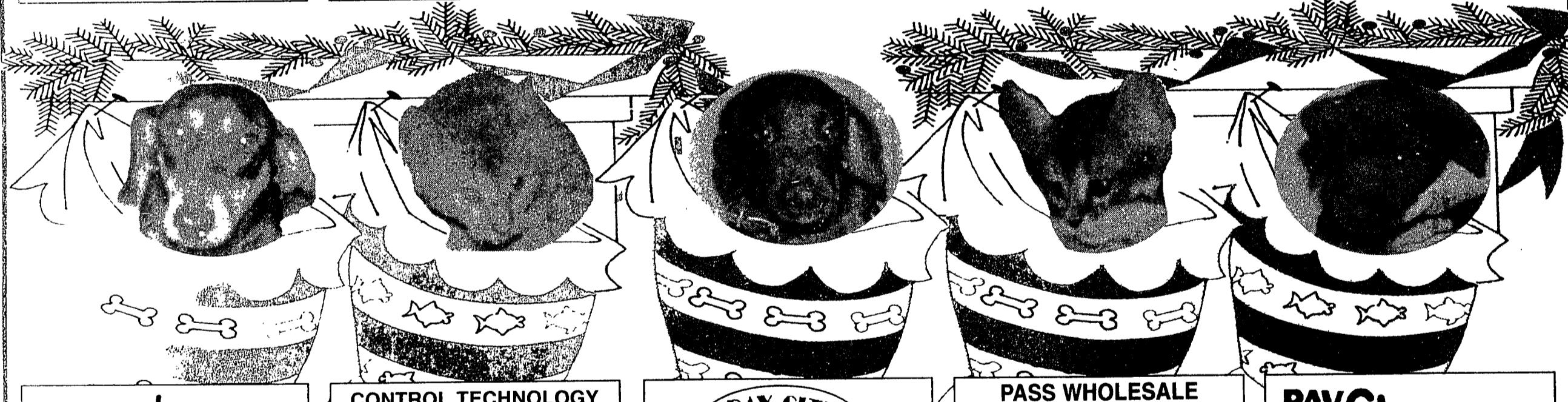
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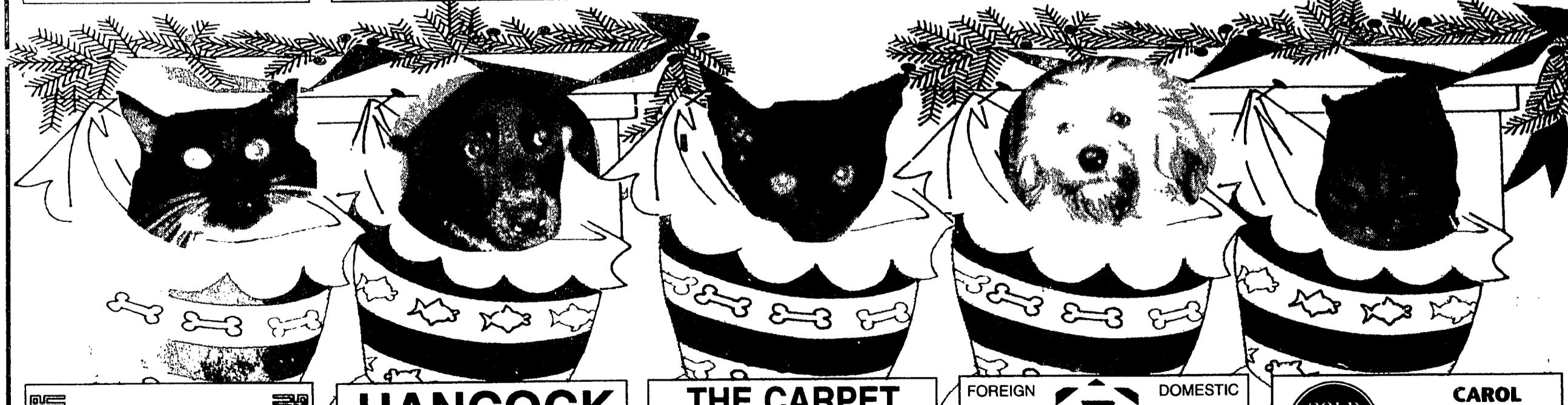
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